

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-9, 11 and 12 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 7 are amended. No new matter is added by these amendments. Claims 4 and 10 are canceled without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter recited therein. Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0063474 to Wasaki et al. (hereinafter "Wasaki"). Wasaki was issued as Letters Patent No. 6,667,685 on December 23, 2003.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

The Office Action asserts that Wasaki teaches all of the features recited in independent claims 1 and 7. However, Wasaki does not teach, nor would it have suggested, a noise suppressing circuit including at least "the normal mode noise suppressing means incorporates two capacitors for the normal mode that are located at positions that sandwich the two windings, each of the two capacitors having an end connected to the first conductor line and the other end connected to the second conductor line, and reducing normal mode noise in cooperation with the leakage inductance produced by the two windings," as recited in newly amended claims 1 and 7. The applied reference of Wasaki does not disclose this feature.

Instead, as illustrated by Fig. 16 of Wasaki, the condensers/capacitors do not each connect, by opposite ends, to the first and second conductor lines, as positively recited in the amended claims.

For at least the reasons above, Wasaki cannot reasonably be considered to teach, nor would it have suggested, the combinations of all the features recited in at least independent claims 1 and 7. Further, claims 2, 3, 5-6, 8-9, 11 and 12 would also not have been suggested

by the applied reference for at least the respective dependency of these claims on allowable independent claims 1 and 7, respectively, as well as for the separately patentable subject matter that each of these claims recite.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) are respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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